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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING )  
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )  
INCLUDING A DIELECTRIC FILM )  
FORMED BETWEEN FIRST AND )  
SECOND ELECTRODE LAYERS )

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